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HEATING, PIPING, COOLING AND SHEET METAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

MARCH 7, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Robert Barrieau, Acting Chairperson at 10:00 a.m. in Room 117 at the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present:

Robert H. Barrieau, Acting Chairperson
David G. Foster
Thomas F. Casey, Jr.
Michael Rosario
John T. Higgins, Jr.
Patrick Duane
Philip H. Benoit
Christopher M. Dupuis

Unlimited Contractor
Unlimited Contractor
Unlimited Contractor
Unlimited Journeyperson
Unlimited Journeyperson
Sheet Metal Contractor
Sheet Metal Journeyperson
Public Member

Members Absent:

Cameron G. Champlin, Jr.

Unlimited Journeyperson

Board Vacancies:

Three Public Members

Dept. of Consumer Protection Staff Present:

Richard M. Hurlburt, Director
Karen Layman, Board Secretary
Anthony Santoro, Esq.

Dept. of Labor Apprenticeship Rep. Present:

Paul Femia

Public Present:

John Burns	Christopher Trasacco	Richard Andrade
David Johnston	Victor Luciano	

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information contact Richard M. Hurlburt, Director at (860) 713-6135 or Fax: (860) 706-1255.

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

The Board voted to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2013 Heating, Piping, Cooling and Sheet Metal Work Examining Board meeting as written.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

PERSONS PRESENT SEEKING GENERAL GUIDANCE FROM THE BOARD:

John Burns – No application pending

Mr. Burns appears seeking guidance on applying for an S-1 license. Upon verification of registered hours with the Dept. of Labor and completion of additional related instruction, the Board may approve Mr. Burns to take the S-2 exam upon application. Upon passage of the S-2, the Board may then waive the 2-year waiting period to take the S-1.

Michael Fiore – No application pending

Michael Fiore appeared at the last Heating, Piping, Cooling & Sheet Metal Work examining board meeting with questions on how to obtain the Warm Air Heating & Cooling Mechanic (D-2) license. The following information was submitted by Paul Femia from the Department of Labor: Mr. Foire was registered as a Preapprentice in the Refrigeration Mechanic (D-4) trade with Artic Air Inc.- Norwalk on August 28th, 1987. He would be eligible for a maximum of 2,000 hours OJT credit in the D-4 trade and I see no proof of Related Instruction classes. Mr. Foire was never registered in the D-2 trade.

Mr. Fiore did not appear; no action taken

Victor Luciano - No application pending

Mr. Luciano appears seeking guidance on applying for an S-2 license. The Board advised Mr. Luciano to complete a D-2 application and reappear before the Board with further documentation regarding on the job training and related instruction. He was further advised that he would need to get registered as an apprentice to apply for the S-2 exam.

David White – No application pending

Mr. White did not appear; no action taken

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PERSONS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR IN PERSON FOR APPEAL:

Albert Bruno, Jr, Glasco, NY – (S-8) Limited Journeyperson

Mr. Bruno did not appear; no action taken

Michael Cahill, Kingston, NY – (S-8) Limited Journeyperson

Mr. Cahill did not appear; no action taken

PERSONS PRESENT SEEKING GENERAL GUIDANCE FROM THE BOARD (NON-AGENDA ITEMS):

Christopher Trasacco – No application pending

Mr. Trasacco appears seeking guidance on approval for the S-2 exam. The Board advised that an S-2 application would be denied at this time, as he has not completed his apprenticeship. It was recommended that Mr. Trasacco completes the apprenticeship and then apply.

Ricardo Andrade - No application pending

Mr. Andrade appears seeking guidance on approval for the SM-1 exam. The Board advised Mr. Andrade to reappear before the Board with proof of related instruction and then the Board will consider him sitting for the SM-4.

David Johnston – No application pending

Mr. Johnston appears seeking guidance on approval for the ST-1 exam. He currently holds a ST-2 license. Contingent upon submission of ST-1 application, the Board will waive the 2-year waiting period required to apply for the ST-1.

NEW APPLICATIONS:

Robert Angiletta, Meriden, CT – (B1) Limited Contractor - Denied

The Board voted to deny Mr. Angiletta's application due to lack of an apprenticeship completion certificate, notarized statements from employers, and proof of related instruction.

Jeremy Askew, Chestnut Ridge, NY – (SM-2) Limited sheetmetal journeyperson - Approved

The Board voted to approve Mr. Askew's application.

Anthony Blanchard, Ledyard, CT – (SM-2) Limited sheetmetal journeyperson - Approved

The Board voted to approve Mr. Blanchard's application.

Michael Cherry, Stamford, CT – (S-3) Limited Heating Contractor - Denied

The Board voted to deny Mr. Cherry's application due to not having previously held a S-4 journeyperson's license for the required period of two years.

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Frank Dunn, Hackettstown, NJ – (SM-1) Limited Sheetmetal Contractor - Denied

The Board voted to deny Mr. Dunn's application due to not having previously held a SM-2 journeyperson's license for the required period of two years.

Jeremy Durham, Monson, MA – (S-2) Unlimited Heating Journeyperson - Denied

The Board voted to deny Mr. Durham's application due to a lack of equivalent on the job training and related instruction required for the S-2.

Jefferson Ibia, Norwich, CT – (D2) Limited Warm Air Journeyperson - Denied

The Board voted to deny Mr. Ibia's application. Mr. Ibia must appear before the Board with further documentation for proof of related instruction and on the job training.

Benjamin Jordan, Needham, MA – (S-4) Limited Heating Journeyperson - Approved

The Board voted to approve Mr. Jordan's application.

Diarmuid Lovett, Newtown, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Heating Journeyperson - Denied

Mr. Lovett currently holds a D-2 license. The Board voted to deny Mr. Lovett's application due to lack of an apprenticeship completion letter required for the S-2 license.

Michael J. Miller, Burlington, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Heating Journeyperson - Denied

The Board voted to deny Mr. Miller's application due to lack of on the job training as required. (Mr. Barrieau abstained from voting).

Dennis Pelletier, Jr., Ashaway, RI – (D-4) Limited Cooling Journeyperson - Approved

The Board voted to approve Mr. Pelletier's application.

Justin Place, Hope Valley, RI – (S-8) Limited Journeyperson - Approved

The Board voted to approve Mr. Place's application.

Jeffrey Sala, Amsterdam, NY – (SM-1) Limited Sheetmetal Contractor - Denied

The Board voted to deny Mr. Sala's SM-1 application, however, the Department may approve a SM-2 application should the applicant choose to amend the category of license sought on his application from an SM-1 to an SM-2.

Abram Scholle, Hope Valley, RI – (D-2) Limited Warm Air Journeyperson - Approved

The Board voted to approve Mr. Scholle's application.

Cory Southard, Sandy Hook, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Heating Journeyperson - Denied

The Board voted to deny Mr. Southard's application due to lack of an apprenticeship completion certificate.

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APPLICATIONS FOR APPEAL:

George Bowker, New Milford, NJ – (D-2) Limited Warm Air Journeyperson – Approved
Mr. Bowker had been previously denied for the S-2 exam. Mr. Bowker has since changed the category of license sought from an S-2 to a D-2 and the Board approved for a D-2.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Board members were reminded to get their updated identification badges if they have not done so already.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The Board discussed recent gas company rebates to consumers to convert their hot water systems to natural gas and requiring a “P” license versus an “S” license to install or replace hot water heaters.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

DCP COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:

The complaint status report was received from the Trade Practice Division.

Board so noted

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman,
Board Secretary

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 4, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in Room-117.